



# Sherwood Episcopal Church

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**Third Sunday in Easter**  
**10 am**

**April 18, 2021**  
**Holy Eucharist, Rite II**

## THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude            3 Versets sur l'hymne *O filii et filiae* - Paul Vidal

Welcome and Announcements    The Rev. Nancy H. Hennessey

*Please stand as you are able.*

## THE OPENING SENTENCES

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Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

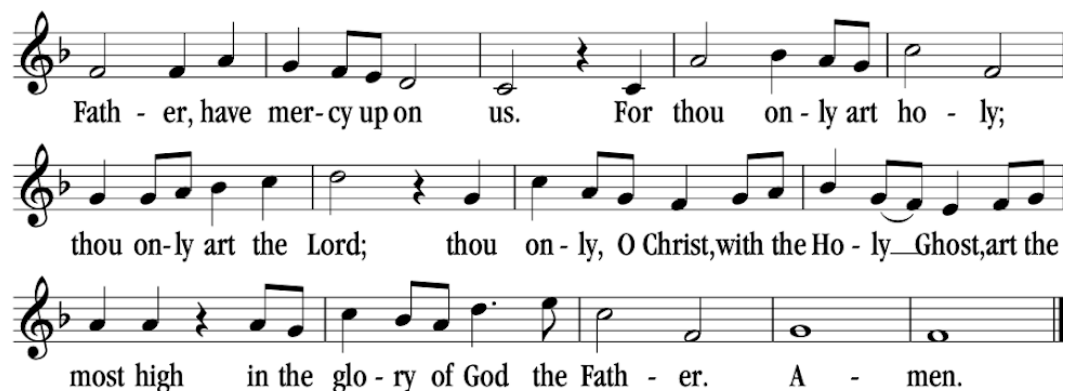
## THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known,  
and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our  
hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may  
perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name;  
through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

# GLORIA

## *The Tisbury Service - Richard Shephard*

Glo - ry be to God on high,  
 and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we  
 wor- ship thee, we glo- ri- fy thee, we give thanks to thee for  
 thy great glo- ry, O Lord God heav'n - ly King,  
 God the Fath- er Al- migh - ty. O Lord, the on - ly-be-  
 got-ten Son, Je - sus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God,  
 Son of the Fath-er, that tak - est a way the sins of the world, have  
 mer - cy up - on us. Thou that tak - est a way the sins of the world, re-  
 ceive our prayer. Thou that sit - test at the right hand of God the



## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## THE FIRST READING

Acts 3:12-19

Peter addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you,

and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

“And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.”

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 4

*Read responsively by whole verse*

1 Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; \*  
you set me free when I am hard-pressed;  
have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

2 **“You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; \*  
how long will you worship dumb idols  
and run after false gods?”**

3 Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful; \*  
when I call upon the LORD, he will hear me.

4 **Tremble, then, and do not sin; \*  
speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.**

5 Offer the appointed sacrifices \*  
and put your trust in the LORD.

**6 Many are saying, “Oh, that we might see better times!” \***  
**Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O LORD.**

7 You have put gladness in my heart, \*  
more than when grain and wine and oil increase.

**8 I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; \***  
**for only you, LORD, make me dwell in safety.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE – 205, v. 1  
*Good Christians all, rejoice and sing*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

1 Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!  
Now is the triumph of our King!  
To all the world glad news we bring:  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 24:36b-48

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus himself stood among the disciples and said to them, “Peace be with you.” They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, “Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he

said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you — that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.*

THE SERMON

The Rev. Nancy H. Hennessey, Rector

THE NICENE CREED

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*Said by all, standing as you are able.*

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,**

of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE – Form III      BCP pg. 387

Father, we pray for your holy catholic church;  
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

**That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble.

**That they may be delivered from their distress.**

We especially pray for those impacted by COVID-19 as well as those on our parish prayer list: Sally, Debbie, Shannon, Jeff & Kim, Norma, Margaret, Ed, Laura, Joyce, Christine, Mike and his family, Kendall, Marge, Sarah, Joe, Gail, Steve W., Michelle, Joe G., Jay, Rick, Ella Mae, Steve & Debbie, Jeanetta, Christina, Khalil, Charles, Samantha, Courtney, Steve S., Debbie H., Danny, Allison, Sandy & Jack, Jen, the Lawry family, Virginia, Susie H., the Alexander family, Kiernan & Colleen, Walter S., Linda P., and the residents of the Caribbean islands affected by the volcano eruptions.

We give you thanks for the blessings of this life, especially for those celebrating anniversaries as well as birthdays including Ailyn, Anne W., Greg S., and Ian.



Give to the departed eternal rest.  
**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions.*

Lord, hear the prayers of your people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

#### THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

**Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;**

**that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins  
through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness,  
and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal  
life. *Amen.*

## THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

*The people greet one another virtually with a sign of God's peace.*

*We continue to do God's work and your contributions of any size make a huge  
difference. You may now contribute online via our website. Go [here](http://sherwoodcokeysville.org/give) to check it out.  
([sherwoodcokeysville.org/give](http://sherwoodcokeysville.org/give)) Or if you would prefer, mail in your contribution to  
5 Sherwood Road, Cokeysville, 21030. We are checking the mail regularly and  
depositing any checks. Thank you!*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY      *The day of resurrection! - Richard Shephard*

1 The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad;  
The Passover of gladness, the Passover of God.  
From death to life eternal, from earth unto the sky,  
Our Christ hath brought us over, with hymns of victory.

2 Our hearts be pure from evil, that we may see aright  
The Lord in rays eternal of resurrection light;  
And list'ning to His accents, may hear, so calm and plain,

His own "All hail!" and, hearing, may raise the victor strain.

3 Now let the heavens be joyful! Let earth the song begin!  
The round world keep high triumph, and all that is therein!  
Let all things seen and unseen their notes in gladness blend,  
For Christ the Lord is risen, our joy that hath no end.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A – BCP pg. 361

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

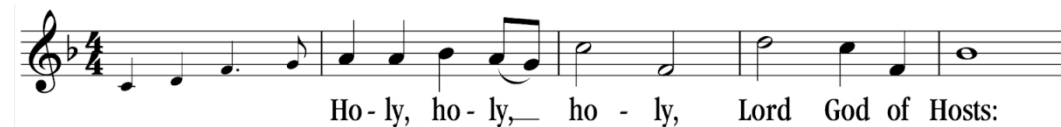
**We lift them to the Lord.**

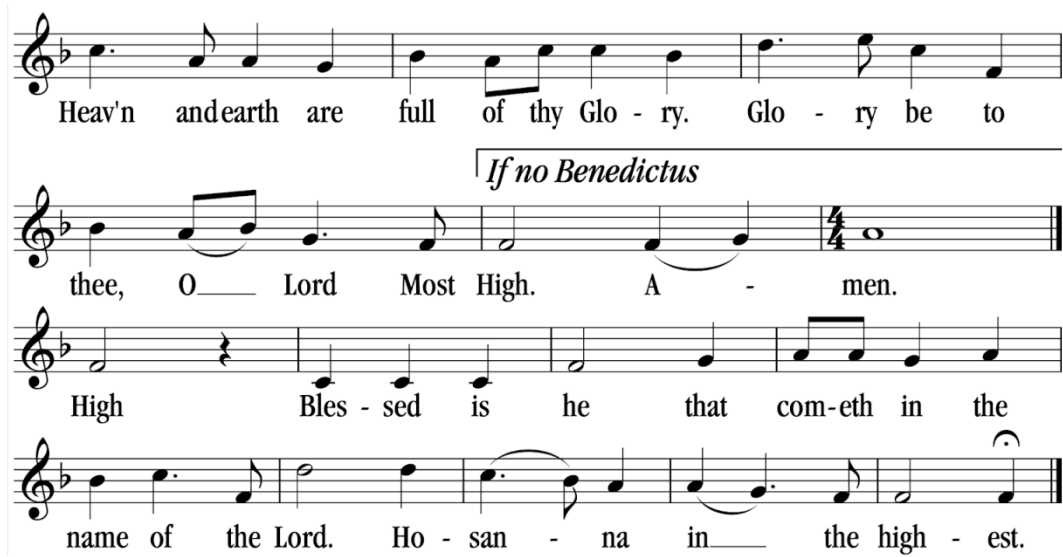
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant offers thanks to God for the grace and mercy made available in Christ, and in response the people sing:*

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS *The Tisbury Service* – Richard Shephard





*The Celebrant gives thanks to God for the reconciling work of Christ's passion and resurrection and prayers over the bread and wine.*

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic prayer and at the conclusion says*

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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*The Celebrant says*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*People and Celebrant*

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

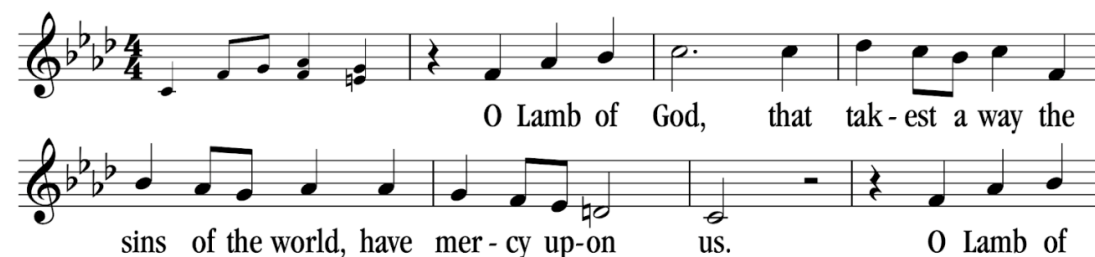
*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**Therefore let us keep the feast.**

**AGNUS DEI**

*The Tisbury Service – Richard Shephard*





## A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

*Episcopal Prayer Book for the Armed Forces (1988)*

*Celebrant:*

Let us say together the prayer for spiritual communion.

**In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, we desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. We remember your death, Lord Christ; we proclaim your resurrection; we await your coming in glory. And since we cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, we beseech you to come spiritually into our hearts. Cleanse and strengthen us with your grace,**

**Lord Jesus, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.**

*The Celebrant pronounces a blessing over the People, and the People respond, **Amen***

RECESSIONAL HYMN – 199 *At the Lamb's high feast we sing*

1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing  
praise to our victorious King,  
who hath washed us in the tide  
flowing from his piercèd side;  
praise we him, whose love divine  
gives his sacred Blood for wine,  
gives his Body for the feast,  
Christ the victim, Christ the priest.

2 Where the Paschal blood is poured,  
death's dark angel sheathes his sword;  
Israel's hosts triumphant go  
through the wave that drowns the foe.  
Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed,  
Paschal victim, Paschal bread;  
with sincerity and love  
eat we manna from above.

3 Mighty victim from on high,  
hell's fierce powers beneath thee lie;  
thou hast conquered in the fight,  
thou hast brought us life and light:  
now no more can death appall,  
now no more the grave enthrall;  
thou hast opened paradise,  
and in thee thy saints shall rise.

4 Easter triumph, Easter joy,  
these alone do sin destroy.  
From sin's power do thou set free  
souls new-born, O Lord, in thee.  
Hymns of glory, songs of praise,  
Father, unto thee we raise:  
risen Lord, all praise to thee  
with the Spirit ever be.



## THE DISMISSAL

As we go forth into the world, refreshed and renewed, we reaffirm our commitment to our mission as a congregation:

**God commands us to enthusiastically cast open our doors to embrace all, impacting lives through bold service, no exceptions.**

Let us go forth to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Postlude                      *Sortie (L'Organiste Liturgie, Book 1) - Alexandre Guilmant*

*For those with us in person today, communion will be offered following the service. Your usher will dismiss you from your pew.*

### Worship Participants from Studio Sherwood

Officiant: The Rev. Nancy H. Hennessey

Music Director & Organist: Greg Seseck

Cantor: Cassidy Dixon

Acolyte: Anne Wismer

Broadcast Engineer: Stephanie Everts

*Thank you for joining us for our virtual worship this morning. Please be sure to check out our Facebook page for updates and also remember to subscribe to our YouTube channel. If you are interested in receiving our e-newsletter, please contact Carey Mednick at [sherwoodparish@gmail.com](mailto:sherwoodparish@gmail.com).*

### This Week at Sherwood & Upcoming Events

#### **Monday**

Office Closed

#### **Wednesday**

Mother Nancy Office Hours, 10 am – 3:30 pm

#### **Saturday**

Private Graveside Burial for Woody Banister @ 3:30 pm

**Office Hours for Mother Nancy:** A reminder that Mother Nancy will be in the church office between the hours of 10 am–3:30 pm every Wednesday. If you would like to meet with her, please feel free to call her at (301-606-8447) or email ([sherwoodrector@gmail.com](mailto:sherwoodrector@gmail.com)) to set up an appointment.

**Statements Will Be Emailed:** In an effort to save money on postage and circumvent the post office's ongoing unreliable delivery, your next quarterly statement will be emailed

to you. **If you DO NOT want your statement emailed** and would like a paper copy mailed to you instead, please email [sherwoodparish@gmail.com](mailto:sherwoodparish@gmail.com) or leave a message on the office phone at 410-666-2180.

**Seafarers Request Magazine Donations:** The Baltimore International Seafarers Center addresses the needs of the 25 ship crews that arrive in Baltimore each week. Most of these men and women are still without shore leave--now over a year into the pandemic--so free magazines really make a difference to ease the downtime at sea. The seafarers also use magazines to practice their English. The Center is asking for donations of *Time*, *Sports Illustrated*, and *People* magazines that are no more than a few months old. Other magazines of interest include *Baltimore*, *Reader's Digest*, and car magazines--all of which may be a few years old. Copies of *National Geographic* are welcome and may even be older if they are in excellent condition.

You may leave magazines in the blue bin on the parish office porch and we will arrange delivery. The deadline for this round of donations is May 6.

**Flowers Are Back!** The flowers are blooming and Kimberly's Farm Flowers will be back as soon as this Wednesday in Sherwood's parking lot from 10 am to 3:30 pm. Instead of pre-selected arrangements like last year, Kim is bringing her restored vintage trailer to Sherwood and her co-op members will be able to (COVID-safely) shop from her assortment of beautiful blooms. Her flowers are not available to the general public, so becoming a member of the co-op is a must. Memberships start at \$50 and may be bought in additional \$50 increments. If you were fortunate to receive a bouquet from the flowers Kim donated for our altar each week last year, you know what a special treat they are. [Learn more about Kim, her flowers, and becoming a member.](https://www.kimberlysfarmflowers.com/) <https://www.kimberlysfarmflowers.com/> Her trailer will be in the Sherwood parking lot through late September.

**Waking Up White-Book Discussion Group:** Are you interested in being a part of the book discussion on *Waking Up White*, by Debby Irving? If so, please [contact Carey Mednick](#) because a group is being formed and will begin soon. Order your book and begin reading now!

**Do Your Part!** Based on the state's accelerating vaccination rate and an anticipated increase in supply from the federal government, all Marylanders 16 and older are eligible for their vaccinations at Maryland's mass vaccination sites. Please do your part and get vaccinated! [Go here to pre-register.](https://onestop.md.gov/preregistration) (<https://onestop.md.gov/preregistration>) If you have any concerns or you are having difficulty getting a vaccine, please contact Mother Nancy at [sherwoodrector@gmail.com](mailto:sherwoodrector@gmail.com) or 410-666-2180. She is happy to talk with and assist getting scheduled for your vaccine. And don't forget to continue to wash your hands, maintain six feet from others, and wear your mask--whether you have been vaccinated or not!